



The Good And Bad of Gates, Trees and Buildings

Matthew 7:13-29

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*“ Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them..”
Matthew 7:20*

Heavenly Father, please forgive me when I have chosen to travel the broad road. It only leads to destruction. Forgive me when I don't connect with You and in turn bear “bad fruit”. Forgive me also when I have built my life on the sand, that when the waves (hardships) come I am easily knocked over because I didn't rely on You.

Instead I choose to focus on You, Jesus! I choose to go through the narrow gate because I know it is the path that leads to life. I choose to be a tree that bears good fruit so that others would be able to acknowledge who You are. I choose to build my life on the rock, a solid foundation, that whenever trials and hardships come you will allow for me to stand firm in You. Help me to be consistent with all these things that will bring honor and glory to you O Lord.

In the Mighty Name of Jesus, Amen!

The Good and Bad of....

1.) Traveling broad roads or narrow gates. (vs. 13-14)

2.) Trees that bear bad fruit or good fruit. (vs. 17-20)

3.) Building on sand or on the rock. (vs. 24-27)

Application:

- What consistent steps do you need to do today to stay on the narrow road?
- What fruit do people see in your life? (Gal. 5:22-23) How can the good fruit in your life help you to point others to Jesus?
- When you face hardships/storms, what can you do that will help you not to fall?